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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the *Ex parte Quayle* Action dated April 27, 2009, please amend the  
above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8.

**Replacement sheets of drawing figure(s)** is(are) attached following page 9.